

CLAIMS:

1. A composition for the topical treatment of otitis externa, which comprises an antifungal agent selected from the group consisting of voriconazole, fluconazole, itraconazole, clotrimazole, raruconazole, posaconazole, miconazole, oxiconazole, saperconazole, sulconazole, terconazole, tioconazole, econazole, enilaconazole, amphotericin B, natamycin, nikkomycin Z, caspofungin, micafungin, anidulafungin, terbinafine, naftifine, butenafine, amorolfine, flucytosine, nystatin, pimaricin, griseofulvin, ciclopirox, haloprogin, tolnaftate, and undecylenate; and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.
2. A composition of claim 1 wherein said antifungal agent is voriconazole.
3. A composition of claim 2 which further comprises
  - (a) an antifungal agent selected from the group consisting of fluconazole, itraconazole, clotrimazole, raruconazole, posaconazole, miconazole, oxiconazole, saperconazole, sulconazole, terconazole, tioconazole, econazole, enilaconazole, amphotericin B, natamycin, nikkomycin Z, caspofungin, micafungin, anidulafungin, terbinafine, naftifine, butenafine, amorolfine, flucytosine, nystatin, pimaricin, griseofulvin, ciclopirox, haloprogin, tolnaftate, and undecylenate.
4. A composition of claim 1 which further comprises an antiinflammatory agent.
5. A composition of claim 1 which further comprises an anesthetic agent.

6. A composition of claim 1 which further comprises a antibacterial agent.
7. A composition of claim 1, which is formulated as an ear drop.
8. A method of treating otitis externa in a patient in need thereof, which comprises topically administering to said patient a therapeutically effective amount of a composition of claim 1.
9. A method of claim 8 wherein said antifungal agent is administered in an amount of about 1 to about 5,000 mg/day.
10. A method of claim 8 wherein said antifungal agent is administered in an amount of about 5 to about 500 mg/day.
11. A method of claim 8 wherein said antifungal agent is administered in an amount of about 10 mg/day to about 100 mg/day.
12. A method of claim 8 wherein said antifungal agent is administered for at least 3 days.
13. A method of claim 8 wherein said antifungal agent is administered for about 7 days to about 14 days.
14. A method of claim 8 wherein said antifungal agent is administered for up to 180 days.
15. A method of treating otitis externa in a patient in need thereof, which comprises topically administering to said patient a therapeutically effective amount of a composition which

comprises voriconazole, a corticosteroid, and at least one pharmaceutical excipient suitable for topical administration.